

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 520

By Crowe

A RESOLUTION to recognize Richard K. Storey on the occasion
of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Richard K. Storey of Jonesborough is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for forty-four years as a bank executive and has recently taken his much-deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, an honorary alumnus of East Tennessee State University, Mr. Storey graduated from the Graduate School of Banking at Louisiana State University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Storey demonstrated his courage and leadership abilities while serving with the United States Army as a Staff Sergeant during the height of the Vietnam War; he sacrificed his personal safety and personal affairs to serve his country and protect the American way of life, receiving the Purple Heart before being honorably discharged on October 31, 1969; and

WHEREAS, Richard Storey has served with acumen and alacrity as a banking executive for several banks in the Tri-Cities region, for which he has earned the respect of his peers and community alike for the superior quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, following his military service, Mr. Storey began his career in commercial and consumer banking as the Vice President of First Tennessee Bank from 1972 to 1988. He briefly served as Vice President of Suntrust Bank in 1988 before moving to Bank of America and working as the Vice President, Manager of Small Business Lending and Private Banking, and Tri-Cities Tennessee Regional Executive from 1988 to 1995, and Senior Vice President,

Consumer Market Executive for the South Tennessee Market, and Market President for Tri-Cities, Tennessee/Virginia from 1995 to 2004; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Storey concluded his distinguished career with Citizens Bank Tri-Cities after serving twelve years as the bank's Senior Vice President; and

WHEREAS, Richard Storey is an active and important part of his community and his profession, holding esteemed positions in numerous worthy organizations, including president of the Appalachian Fair Association and member of the Advisory Board of the East Tennessee State University Center for Banking, Board of Directors of the Johnson City Development Authority, Board of Mountain States Health Alliance, Board of Directors of the Northeast Tennessee Economic Development Corporation, Board of Directors of AccelNow Northeast Tennessee Regional Entrepreneurial Accelerator, Board of Girls Incorporated of Johnson City and Washington County, and the East Tennessee State University Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Storey further contributed his time and numerous talents to serving his community as the president of the Johnson City Chamber of Commerce, Johnson City Area United Way, and Gray Ruritan Club; Chairman of the Board for Washington County Library and Washington County Community Board Mountain States Health Alliance; and member of the Board of Directors of Blue Ridge Medical Management; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Storey has been a highly respected citizen of the Johnson City community for many years; he is the very epitome of a good neighbor, as he always endeavors to treat others as he would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Storey enjoys the love and support of his wife, Diana, and two children, Crystal Painter and Wes Storey; the members of the Storey family are much loved and deeply rooted members of the Gray United Methodist Church, where they have long been involved in all aspects of church work; and

WHEREAS, Richard Storey exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Richard Storey has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we extend to Richard K. Storey our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.